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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—1999–2000 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 356

Introduced by Assembly Member Washington

February 11, 1999

An act to add and repeal Section 7073.4 of the Government Code, relating to economic development.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 356, as amended, Washington. Enterprise zones: County of Los Angeles.

The Enterprise Zone Act provides for the designation of enterprise zones by the Trade and Commerce Agency, according to specified criteria, and pursuant to which certain entities may receive regulatory, tax, and other incentives for private investment and employment.

This bill would additionally require the Trade and Commerce Agency to rank ~~applicant cities and designate~~ *applicants for an additional enterprise zone designation and designate a geographic area that meets prescribed criteria located within one city within the County of Los Angeles* as a new enterprise zone, according to specified criteria.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 7073.4 is added to the
2 Government Code, to read:
3 7073.4. (a) The Trade and Commerce Agency shall
4 ~~rank applicant cities and designate~~, *pursuant to the*
5 *procedures specified in Section 7073, rank applicants for*
6 *an enterprise zone designation and designate a*
7 *geographic area of high-density unemployment adjacent*
8 *to areas of depressed economic business activity located*
9 *within one city within the County of Los Angeles as a new*
10 *enterprise zone, in addition to those enterprise zones*
11 *designated pursuant to Section 7073.*
12 (b) The enterprise zone designated pursuant to this
13 section shall meet all of the following criteria:
14 (1) The average unemployment rate for the entire
15 applicant ~~city~~ *geographic area* was not less than 10
16 percent in 1998.
17 (2) The median annual household or family income for
18 the entire applicant ~~city~~ *geographic area* is not more than
19 twenty-six thousand five hundred dollars (\$26,500).
20 (3) The percentage of persons in the entire applicant
21 ~~city~~ *geographic area* below the poverty level is at least 25
22 percent.
23 (4) The applicant ~~is~~ *geographic area is located within*
24 *an incorporated city in the County of Los Angeles that has*
25 *a population of greater than 50,000 and less than 100,000*
26 *persons according to the most recent census data and*
27 *data.*
28 (5) *The applicant geographic area was part of the Los*
29 *Angeles Revitalization Zone, and does not currently have*
30 *an enterprise zone.*
31 (c) For the purpose of applying any provision of the
32 Revenue and Taxation Code, the additional enterprise
33 zone designated pursuant to this section shall be deemed
34 designated pursuant to Section 7073.
35 (d) The duration of the enterprise zone designated
36 pursuant to this section shall be no more than six years.
37 (e) A business that utilizes the tax credits and
38 incentives available through the enterprise zone

1 designated pursuant to this section shall establish a hiring
2 preference for individuals who live in the city in which
3 the enterprise zone is established.

4 (f) This section shall remain in effect only until
5 January 1, 2008, and as of that date is repealed, unless a
6 later enacted statute, that is enacted before January 1,
7 2008, deletes or extends that date.

8 SEC. 2. The Legislature hereby finds and declares
9 that a special statute is necessary and that a general
10 statute cannot be made applicable, within the meaning of
11 Section 16 of Article IV of the California Constitution,
12 because of unique circumstances applicable to the
13 County of Los Angeles.

